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Kaiser Foundation EVP to Keynote National Workers' Compensation & Disability Conference®

Las Vegas – May 6, 2015 – The **National Workers' Compensation & Disability Conference® (NWCDC)**, the industry's must-attend annual gathering, announced that Dr. Arthur M. Southam, executive vice president of Health Plan Operations for Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Inc. and Kaiser Foundation Hospitals, will deliver the event's Opening Keynote. His presentation is one of several during the November 11 - 13, 2015 conference at Mandalay Bay, Las Vegas, that will help attendees learn about changes underway in medical care delivery and how properly applying medical care improves claims outcomes.

The **National Workers' Compensation & Disability Conference®'s *Achieving Excellence in Medical Treatment*** Opening Keynote will highlight the quality measures that positively impact chronic disease and other healthcare factors affecting claimants. Dr. Southam will deliver the latest findings by the group-health world about ranking and selecting medical providers plus how claims payers can apply the results. Additionally, he'll detail Kaiser's journey to becoming a quality provider.

"The delivery of quality healthcare and improving treatment outcomes are increasingly relevant topics for workers' compensation payers," said Roberto Cenicerros, Senior Editor of *Risk & Insurance* and Program Chair of **NWCDC**. "Dr. Southam's experience in driving improvements in medical care quality combined with his passion for healthcare makes this a can't-miss session."

In addition to Dr. Southam's session, **NWCDC** will offer more than 30 breakouts delivering guidance on managing pharmaceutical costs, addressing employees' disabilities to increase productivity and reduce absences, and more measures for improving Claims outcomes. For early details on the only national event focused equally on both workers' comp and disability management visit www.wconference.com.

Workers' compensation, disability management and return-to-work professionals are encouraged to register by Sept. 4 to save \$350.00 off the **NWCDC** on-site rate. To register, visit www.wconference.com/register or call 1-800-727-1227. For media inquiries, please contact Renette Fortune at rfortune@lrp.com or call 561-622-6520, ext. 8674.

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About National Workers' Compensation and Disability Conference® & Expo

The **National Workers' Compensation and Disability Conference® & Expo** is the industry's once-a-year get-together, attracting more than 4,500 professionals annually. Leading experts and industry executives

deliver proven approaches for improving case outcomes, cutting costs and streamlining program management.

NWCDC is home to the industry's largest Expo in the nation, bringing together more than 250 exhibitors under one roof. For two full days, vendors display and answer questions about products and services that are relevant to the workers' comp and disability management industry. For more information, visit www.wconference.com.

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